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1. FATHER HESBURGH'S UNCSTD DISCUSSIONS WITH GOI LIMITED BECAUSE OF SHORT TIME(FRIDAY EVENING AND SATURDAY MORNING) AVAILABLE THIS PURPOSE. NEVERTHELESS, BELIEVE DISCUSSIONS FRUITFUL IN POINTING OUT: (1) MOST INDONESIAN OBJECTIVES FOR CONFERENCE COMPATIBLE WITH U.S. OBJECTIVES: (2) IN DONESIAN CONCERN IS DEVELOPING THE MEANS TO ACHIEVE

OBJECTIVES: (3) INDONESIANS MAJOR DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS ARE SEEN AS HIGH

POPULATION GROWTH, LIMITED NATURAL RESOURCES(INCLUDNG ENERGY), AND CONSERVATION/ENVIRONEMNT: (4) INDONESIA' GOAL IN "S AND T FOR DEVELOPMENT" SECTOR IS SELF-RELIANCE THROUGH MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT, S&T FACILITIES AND INSTITUTION IMPORVEMENT.

STRENGTHENING OF S AND T MANAGMENET AND DELIVERY SYSTEMS, AND INCREASED

S AND T BUDGET AND APPLICATIONS TO ACHIEVE ABOVE POINTS: (5) ASSISTANCE FROM U.S.(ET AL) CAN BEST BE GIVEN BY DEVISIG MEANS TO UNCLASSIFIED

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MAKE PROPREITARY TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AVAILABL ON CONCESSIONAL TERMS. AN INTERNATIONAL NEW TEHCNOLOGICAL ORDER AND A NETWORK OF EXISTING INSTITUTIONS IS RECOMMENDED BY TH GOI, TO ADDRESS THE ABOVE POINTS.

2. AT DINNER PARTY HELD AUGUST 4 BY CHARGE PAUL GARDNER, FORMER AMBASSADOR TO U.S. SUDJATMOKO MADE POINT THAT "IF U.S M POSITION

AT UNCSTD IS CONFINED SOLELY TO A CONCENTRATION ON BASIC HUMAN NEEDS AND METHODS TO COPE WITH THEM--IMPORTANT AS THEY ARE--THEN THE U.S. POSITION WILL BE A DISAPPOINTMENT TO ITS FRIENDS, AND PROBABLY NOT ACCEPTABLE: BROADER TREATMENT IS NEEDED." PRACTICAL AND CONCESSIONAL ACCESS TO PROPRIETARY TECHNOLOGY, PARTICULARLY THAT WHICH HELPS INDONESIA REACH ITS DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC GOALS THROUGH ITS OWN RESOURCES, WAS EMPHASIZED BY DR. B. JOEDONO, SECRETARY OF THE GOI NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR UNCSTD, DURING THE SATURDAY MORNING MEETING. FATHER HESBURGH POINTED OUT THAT THE POINT AND ISSUE WAS UNDERSTOOD, AND A SATISFACTORY SOLUTION-- WHICH WOULD NOT BE EASY --WOULD BE SOUGHT BY THE U.S. DELEGATION. HE STATED THAT FORTUNATELY MOST TECHNOLOGIES RELATING TO BASIC HUMAN NEEDS, NATURAL RESOURCES, ENVIRONMENT, ETC. WERE IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN, BUT HE RECOGNIZED THAT PROPRIETARY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY WAS OFTEN USEFUL FOR THE SAME OBJECTIVES, E.G. THE HIGH TECHNOLOGY INVOLVED IN EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION, OR COMMUNICATION FOR REMOTE AREAS.

3. A COPY (IN ENGLISH) OF THE INDONESIAN NATIONAL PAPER, IN ITS "NEARLY FINAL" VERSION, WAS GIVEN TO FATHER HESBURGH. (FYI: WE ARE FURNISHING COPY TO AMBASSADOR WILKOWSKI). IT IDENTIFIES THE THREE MAJOR INDONESIAN DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS OF POPULATION, NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION/ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATES THEM TO BASIC HUMAN NEEDS (FOOD, CLOTHING, SHELTER, EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION AND HEALTH), CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, ENERGY, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS, AND UNCLASSIFIED

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INDUSTRIALIZATION/HUMAN RESOURCES. THE LOW-CAPITAL, HIGH-LABOR PRINCIPLE OF APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY IS ACCEPTED, BUT NOT TO THE EXCLUSION OF HIGH TECHNOLOGY WHERE JUSTIFIED TO MEET NEEDS LISTED ABOVE. FACTORS LEADING TO SELF-RELIANCE, E.G. HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, MANAGEMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE, ENTREPRENEURSHIP, INCENTIVES, ETC. IS THE PREDOMINANT THEME THE GOI APPLIES TO, "BASIC NEEDS, NATIONAL RESOURCES, AND TECHNOLOGY".

4. THERE ARE NUMEROUS SUGGESTIONS FOR PRIORITY PROGRAMS, E.G. SOIL RESEARCH, AQUATIC RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, LOW COST HOUSING, AND POST HARVEST TECHNOLOGY. SUCH POLICIES SHOULD FOCUS ON QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT, INTEGRATED PROGRAMS, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND INFORMATION DISSEMINATION. A NATIONAL BODY FOR THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY IS RECOMMENDED, AS IS AN INDONESIAN PATENT SYSTEM. INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL COOPERATION IS ENCOURAGED, INCLUDING INSTITUTIONAL LINKAGES. FOREIGN AID SHOULD BE AIMED AT IN-SITU DEVELOPMENT, AND TRAINING SHOULD BE AT LOWER TECHNICAL LEVELS AS WELL AS GRADUATE EDUCATION. FOREIGN INVESTMENT PROJECTS OR COMPANIES SHOULD ENCOURAGE TRAINING THROUGH INDONESIAN PARTICIPATION WITH MUTUAL BENEFITS.

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5. TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY TO LDCS SHOULD (A) ESTABLISH INDIGENOUS
TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITY; B) STRENGTHEN LOCAL TECHNICAL INFRA-
STRUCTURE; (C) ENCOURAGE APPLICATION OF APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY;
(D) INCREASE FLOW OF TECHNOLOGY AT LOWER COST. UNCSTD OBJECTIVE
SHOULD BE "NEW TECHNOLOGICAL ORDER" ACCEPTABLE TO ALL NATION, AND
CONTAIN COMMON STRATEGY AND UNDERSTANDING WHICH INCLUDES THE
INVOLVED COUNTRIES, THE TECHNOLOGICAL DEPENDENCY OF THE DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES, AND A NEW DIPLOMATIC EFFORT TO SOLVE EXISTING POLITICAL
CONSTRAINTS. WEAK POINTS IN LDCS INCLUDE ABSENCE OF (1) S AND T
INFRASTRUCTURE, (2) A PRIVATE TECHNOLOGICAL COMMUNITY, (3) "TECHNO-
LOGICAL ASSESSMENT" CAPABILITY, AND (4) INABILITY TO HANDLE LEGAL
MATTERS(E.G. PATENTS, LICENSES, CONTRACT TERMS, ETC.) THE GOI
RECOMMENDS AND INVESTIGATION BODY TO COORDINATE ALL SECTORS, AND
AN INTERNATIONAL NETWORK TO FACILITATE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, INCLUDING
LEGAL ASPECTS. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES CAN PROVIDE TECHNOLOGY TO LDCS
ON CONCESSIONAL TERMS, AND MNC OPERATIONS SHOULD BENEFIT LDCS, TOO.
DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD DEVELOP NEW, BALANCES INTERNATIONAL
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TRADE SYSTEM TO ENHANCE PROCESS OF INDUSTRIALIZATION IN LDCS, AND

MNC'S SHOULD BE LESS SELFISH IN TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, AND NOT EXPLOIT LDC WEAKNESSES.

6. PROBLEMS FOR UNCSTD TO SOLVE INCLUDE: (A) ENCOURAGE PROCESS OF TRANSFER OF R AND D IN RECIPIENT COUNTRIES ESPECIALLY PROPRIETARY R AND D, (B) INTRODUCE MORE OPEN TRANSFER, MECHANISM, (C) SEPARATE TRADE MATTERS FROM TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, (D) CHANGE PAYMENT SYSTEM AND SHORTEN CONTRACT TIME.

7. THE GOI PAPER RECOMMENDS THAT (1) AN INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONAL NETWORK (OF EXISTING INSTITUTIONS) WITH A COMMON POLITICAL COMMITMENT IS THE SOLUTION TO ACHIEVING THE "NEW TECHNOLOGICAL ORDER", (2) AN ASSESSMENT CAPACITY I.E. A SYSTEM TO MONITOR AND ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF TECHNICAL OR PROJECT ASSISTANCE OR OTHER FORMS OF PRIVATE AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED, TO DETECT PROBLEMS AND RECOMMEND ADJUSTMENTS.

8. OVERALL, FATHER HESBURGH'S VISIT VERY USEFUL. IN HIS FOUR DAYS IN INDONESIA, HE WAS INTERVIEWED FOR RADIO, VISITED FORD FOUNDATION REPRESENTATIVES, COMPLETED HIS DISCUSSIONS AND INSPECTIONS OF ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES, AND MET WITH THE USAID MISSION DIRECTOR AS WELL AS COVERING THE UNCSTD MATTERS REPORTED ABOVE.

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